

ABAC Meeting Presentation

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Items in this Presentation

1. Minuteman Bikeway Planning Project
2. MassTrails Grant – Mystic River to Minuteman Bikeway Feasibility Study
3. Mass Ave/Appleton Safety & Accessibility Corridor Project



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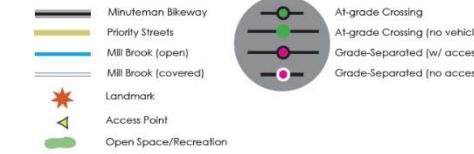
**Town of Arlington
Minuteman Bikeway
Planning Project**



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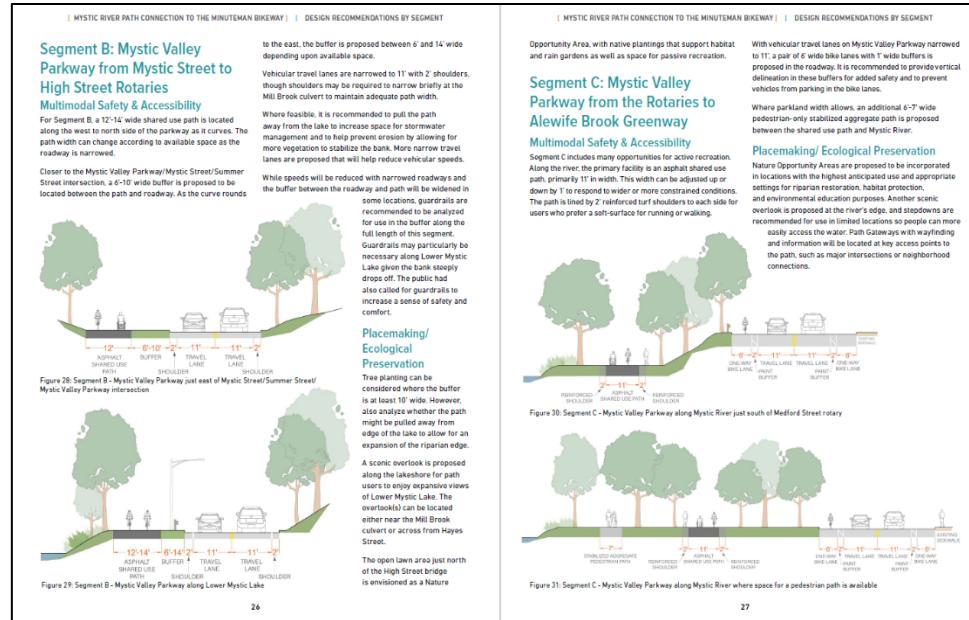
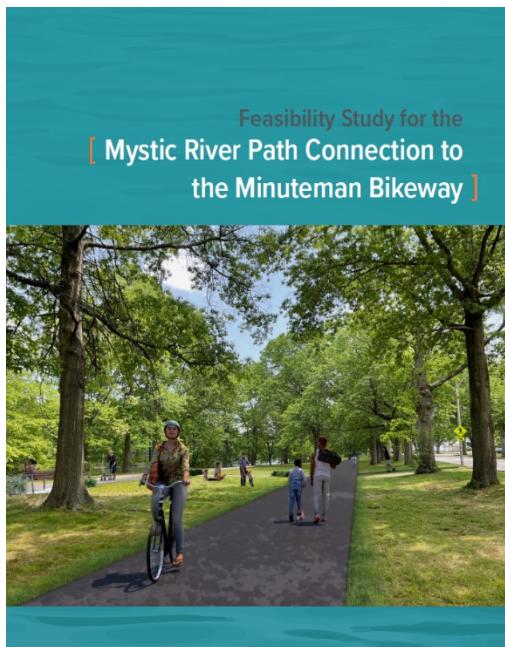
Figure 29. Wayfinding Context Map

LEGEND



- Plan is complete and will be put on the Town's website in the next few days
- Can provide update or discuss plan at next ABAC meeting once people have had a chance to review it
- Determine what project priorities from plan should be pursued for funding (such as CPA)

Mystic River to Bikeway Project



- Study is complete and will be put on the Town's website in the next few days
- Arlington did not receive MassTrails funding in the spring 2022 round for design of the Mill Street/Summer Street segment (Arlington-owned)
- Likely to apply for funding again for the next MassTrails round (due Feb. 1, 2023), or consider other sources



Mass Ave/Appleton Street Corridor Project

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Town Seeks Feedback on Mass Ave/Appleton Corridor to Guide Future Design

Public invited to provide input through July

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On June 23, 2022, the Town hosted the first public open house for the Mass Ave/Appleton Safety & Accessibility Corridor Project. After a brief presentation, meeting attendees reviewed existing conditions data and shared thoughts about the upcoming roadway design process. [View a recording of the open house presentation.](#)

Through the end of July, the Town is collecting comments on this project. [Provide comments through a Google Form here.](#)

Gathering feedback and input from all users of the Project Corridor is important to the design team. As this was the first in-person public open house since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic and not everyone could join us in June, we are offering a virtual platform to share data and gather public feedback. Materials about this project are also available for viewing at the Robbins Library in the foyer next to the main entrance through the end of July.

Feedback can also be provided via the online digital workspace called MURAL. MURAL is a digital workspace for visual collaboration. Visual collaboration provides an opportunity for community members to share and comment on ideas virtually, just as is done at an in-person public meeting with markers and sticky notes.



Mass Ave/Appleton Street Corridor Project

Below are several different design elements that could be incorporated into the project. Please vote for your three favorite/highest priority elements.



Traffic Calming



Improved Traffic Control
(Accommodations for left-turns, turn restrictions, defined circulation pattern)



Dedicated Space for Curbside
Activity (Loading zones, rideshare, etc)



Street Furniture (Benches, trees, planters)



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Public Open House All changes saved!

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APPLETON STREET CORRIDOR
Existing crossings shown in yellow. The best for you to cross the street.

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TRANSIT CORRIDOR
MBTA Route 77 operates along the Project Corridor on Mass Ave from Arlington Heights to Harvard Station in Cambridge. In 2019, the route saw about 6,800 daily boardings.

0% SERVICE
20% BOARDINGS AM PEAK
40% ALIGHTINGS
60% SCHOOL DISMISSAL
80% PM PEAK
100% NIGHT

The Mass Ave / Appleton Street route sees more than 50% of daily boardings around the Ottoson Middle School dismissal time.

BUS NETWORK REDESIGN
A better bus network: new connections, more service, more frequency.
See what this means

MBTA Route 77 becomes MBTA T77, with the same origin and destination, similar weekday service, and more weekend service.

Every 15 min on Sunday
8,000 min to 6,000 min, 7 days a week. In comes to cover the service is provided by the overlapping routes.

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BICYCLE CORRIDOR
What bicycle connections do you make? What links are missing or inadequate?

Legend:
- Mountain Bikeway
- Bike Lane
- Shared Street Markings
- Proposed Bike Lane
- Proposed Shared Street Markings

200 Daily Bicycles

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TRAVEL PATTERNS + FLOWS - MASS AVE AT LOWELL STREET (2019)
Westbound Mass Ave at Lowell Street
The map to the left shows westbound vehicle flows through the Mass Ave at Lowell Street.

What stands out to you?

Eastbound Mass Ave at Lowell Street
The map below shows eastbound vehicle flows.

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TRAVEL PATTERNS + FLOWS - APPLETON STREET (2019)
Southbound Appleton Street
The map to the left shows southbound vehicle flows through the Appleton Street at Acton/Mass Ave Corridor.

What stands out to you?

Eastbound Appleton Street
The map below shows eastbound vehicle flows.

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